



The 2017 York Fair will participate in a statewide poster contest conducted by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. The winning poster from each age group will be sent to the state level to compete at the 2018 Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

**Sonnewald Natural Foods**, will sponsor the contest at the York Fair, and award local winners cash prizes of \$18, \$16, \$14, \$12, and \$10 for first through fifth place. Posters must be entered on the following dates in Horticultural Hall at the York Expo Center: Wednesday, September 6, from 1:00 pm-9:00 pm; Thursday, September 7, from 9:00 am-6:00 pm.

**Criteria for the State Contest:**

1. Only one poster may be submitted per student, per age group. There will be three state competitions: ages 8-11, 12-14, and 15-18. **Students must be in one of these age groups as of June 1, 2017 to qualify, and be a resident of Pennsylvania.**
2. The poster size must be 14 ½ x 22 inches or 14 X 22 inches. Other sizes will not be accepted for judging.
3. This year's theme is "**Know Your Farmer**". Exhibitors not using this theme will be disqualified.
4. Posters will be evaluated on use of the theme, visual appearance and creativity in relation to the exhibitor's age.

The three first place winners at the York Fair will be forwarded to the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture for state level judging, and will be on display at the 2018 Pennsylvania Farm Show. Cash prizes of \$100, \$75, and \$50 will be awarded to the top three state entries in each age group during the Pennsylvania State Farm Show, January 2017. Winners will be notified in advance and invited to attend an awards presentation. Only winners will be required to provide their social security numbers for award disbursements.

All posters advancing to the state level will become the property of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture for possible future promotional activities for the Pennsylvania Farm Show and Pennsylvania Showmen's Association. Any duplication of posters from previous years will be disqualified.

For further information, contact the York Fair office at 848-2596 ext. 128. For pre-registration, go to [Yorkfair.org](http://Yorkfair.org) and click on Fair Entries.